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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

OGDEN RIVER WATER USERS

January 13, 1994 - Ogden, Utah

The annual meeting of the Ogden River Water Users convened in the Pineview Water Users Offices located at 471 West 2nd Street, Ogden, Utah at 3:15 P.M. on January 13, 1994.

Those in attendance at the meeting were the following:

Lee Sim	Utah Division of Water Rights
John Mann	Utah Division of Water Rights
John S. Larsen	Utah Division of Water Rights
Gertrudys Adkins	Utah Division of Water Rights
E. Blaine Johnson	Ogden River Distribution System
Terel Grimley	Ogden River Water Rights
J. Floyd Barnett	Ogden River Water Rights
Jimmie A. Papageorge	Ogden River Water Rights
James Randall	Ogden River Water Rights
Norman J. Montgomery	Ogden River Water Rights
Norman Wadsworth	Ogden River Water Rights
Ivan W. Flint	Ogden River Water Rights
Dexter D. Farr	Ogden River Water User
Marvin Zaugg	Ogden City Water Utility
Carly Burton	Utah Power and Light Company
David Humpherys	Utah Power and Light Company
Earl Nelson	Utah Power and Light Company
Jerry Larsen	North Ogden Irrigation Company
Joseph N. Hill	North Ogden Irrigation Company
R. Borke Williamson	Eden/Chambers Ditch Company
A. Welling Macfarlane	Lorin Farr Ditch Company

The meeting was called to order by Lee Sim of the Division of Water Rights of the Utah State Engineers office. The minutes of the January 12, 1993 meeting were read by E. Blaine Johnson. A motion to approve the minutes was presented by Ivan W. Flint and seconded by Terel Grimley. This motion was approved by those present.

The 1993 Financial Statement was presented by Lee Sim. It was pointed out that the delinquent water assessments on the Ogden River System are among the lowest in the State. There was a motion made by Jimmie Papageorge and seconded by J. Floyd Barnett that the 1993 Financial Statement be accepted. All present voted in favor.

In his Commissioner's report, E. Blaine Johnson stated that he appreciated the help and support of officers and ditch riders of various irrigation companies, the diligence of his two deputies Michael Scott and Lee G. Andersen in distributing the water to the irrigation companies, and for the help of Utah Power

and Light Company and the Utah State Engineer's office in taking care of all other things necessary to make the River System run properly. Commissioner Johnson went on to state that stream flow run-off on the Ogden River was a complete turnaround from the past six years of drought. The inflow to Pineview for the period March-June 1993 was 210,000 acre feet or nearly twice the capacity of Pineview reservoir. There was enough water in the river for all water users to meet their need without calling on storage until June 26.

The dates when priorities were cut were as follows:

June 26	Pine View water users began using storage.
July 1	Weber Basin began exchanging water
July 14	Cut lower valley to low and 1862 rights off.

January 1, 1994 Storage Balances.

Causey storage	3,380 acre feet.
Pineview storage	73,740 acre feet.
Pineview balance	26,590 acre feet.
Weber Basin balance	37,290 acre feet.
UP&L balance	9,860 acre feet.

UP&L power plant was turned on in mid December 1993 and the water that was stored during the pipeline construction period is now being returned to them.

Snowcover on the Weber-Ogden watershed on January 1, 1994 was only 44% but has increased to 60% at the present. In mid January 1992 snow cover was 69% and in 1991 was 65%.

Motion to accept the Commissioner's report was made by Terel Grimley and seconded by Carly Burton. Motion approved by all present.

Mr Terel Grimley reported on a meeting of the Ogden River Water Rights Association held December 20, 1993. At this meeting Terel Grimley was elected Chairman and Ivan W. Flint Vice-Chairman with E. Blaine Johnson elected as Secretary-Treasurer. This group formulated a budget of \$17,169.32 for the Ogden River System for 1994 which was presented to the Utah State Engineer. It was moved by Jimmie Papageorge and seconded by James N. Hill that the budget recommendation be accepted. All present voted in favor and the Utah State Engineer's representative accepted.

The Ogden River Water Rights Committee recommended that E. Blaine Johnson be appointed by the Utah State Engineer as Water Commission on the Ogden River for the year 1994. This motion was made by Terel Grimley and seconded by Jimmie Papageorge. This was approved by all present and accepted by the Utah State Engineer's

representative.

Lee Sim of the State Engineers Office explained to the water users present that in the near future the State Engineer Trust Funds will be handled by the Department of Finance and that all dispersement will be done by them. This will cause a delay in receiving payment for bills but will show an increase in interest earned over what the bank was giving.

The North Ogden Irrigation Company explained the problem they were having with trash in the river at their diversion point. They asked the State Engineer where they could turn for help with the problem. The State Engineer explained that it was a potential flood control problem and that it should be explained to the County and their flood control program should be of assistance. Terel Grimley stated that members of the Rights Committee will take up the matter with the County Commissioners.

The problem in the Upper Valley with the Southwick and Montgomery ditch was also a topic of discussion. The State Engineer admitted laxness on their part in the past in not following up on solving the problem but said they will go through the legal procedure this summer to get the problem resolved.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

E. Blaine Johnson, Secretary